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Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report

September, 2011

Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....1082
Number of items* contained in these cases1917

Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....398
Number of items analyzed this month..... 734

Laboratories' backlog (Items)..... 6235
Average time per analysis (turnaround time)..... 73 days
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed56

Analysis Backlog

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	992	16%
16-30 days old	890	14%
31-50 days old	1111	18%
Greater than 50 days	3242	52%
TOTAL	6235	100%

* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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Analysis Profile

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	39	5%
16-30 days	25	3%
31-50 days	173	24%
Greater than 50 days	497	68%
TOTAL	734	100%

Totals for Drugs of Interest

Drug Type	Number of Items
Marijuana	159
Cocaine	175
Heroin	106
Others	294
TOTAL	734

Trafficking Items Analyzed

Drug Type	Number of Items
Heroin	9
Cocaine	23
Oxycodone	1
TOTAL	33

Calendar Year (2011) Totals through the End of the Month

Items Submitted	15999
Items Analyzed	13748